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SUBJECT: INTEREST OF GNA IN STEEL MILL ON CURACAO

PASS COMMERCE

1. GNA MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS KROON HAS ASKED CONGEN TO PLEASE ASSIST IT IN LOCATING US STEEL COMPANIES WITH POSSIBLE INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE FOR STEEL MILL ON CURACAO. ISLAND HAS GEOGRAPHICAL ADVANTAGE OF DEEP WATER AND PREVAILING OFFSHORE BREEZE MAKING POSSIBLE ERECTION OF PLANT WHICH WOULD BE POLLUTION NUISANCE ELSEWHERE. ACCORDING TO KROON SOUNDINGS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH DUTCH STEEL COMPANY WHICH HAS SHOWN PRELIMINARY INTEREST IN JOINT VENTURE. GNA WOULD HAVE INTEREST IN EVENTUAL PARTICIPATION AND MAY HAVE SOME INTEREST IN OFFERING FUTURE PARTICIPATION OF GOVERNMENT OF VENEZUELA IN ORDER TO ASSURE SUPPLY OF IRON ORE.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WOULD ASCERTAIN WHETHER ANY AMERICAN STEEL MAKER WOULD HAVE ANY PRELIMINARY INTEREST IN DISCUSSING SUCH A PROJECT AND INFORM THE CONGEN OF THE NAMES OF SUCH COMPANIES. GNA WOULD THEN PLAN TO HAVE THEIR ECONOMIC COMMISSIONER, RESIDENT IN UNCLASSIFIED

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NEW YORK, DISCUSS FURTHER DETAILS DIRECTLY WITH INTERESTED

COMPANIES. AS MINISTER KROON STATES HE INTENDS TO VISIT
HOLLAND EARLY IN MAY WITH REFERENCE TO THIS PROJECT, AS EARLY
A REPLY AS POSSIBLE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.
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